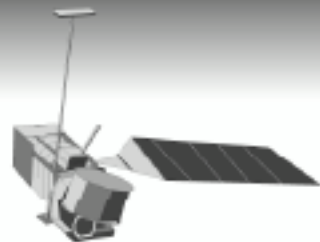


# Potential Gap in Satellite Coverage



Final POES satellite  
scheduled to be  
launched

If final POES satellite fails



First available  
backup launch of first  
NPOESS satellite



**Potential gap in satellite coverage: 3 years**

2007

2008

2009

2010